AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended) A multilayer electrical component, comprising:

[[-]] ~~with~~ a plurality of ceramic layers ~~(1) arranged one on top of the other~~ disposed along ~~a longitudinal~~ an axis [[(3)]],

a plurality of ~~with interposed~~ electrode layers disposed among the plurality of ceramic layers [[(2a, 2b)]], and

[[-]] ~~wherein~~ a ceramic breach layer [[(4)]] disposed ~~is arranged~~ between a first and a second ceramic layer of the plurality of ceramic layers [[(1)]] ~~at least at one point~~ along the ~~longitudinal~~ axis [[(3)]], the ceramic breach layer ~~said~~ having ~~designed~~ a lower breach ~~lower~~ stability than the plurality of ceramic layers [[(1)]] with regard to tensile stresses [[(8)]] in the ~~longitudinal~~ direction of the axis.

2. (Currently Amended) The component ~~as cited in~~ of claim 1, wherein the ~~in which the designed~~ breach layer ~~layers (4) have~~ comprises a material having a greater porosity than the plurality of ceramic layers.

3. (Currently Amended) The component of claim 1 ~~as cited in either of claims 1 or 2~~, wherein the mutilayer electrical component ~~that is~~ comprises a monolithic component ~~produced by sintering~~.

4. (Currently Amended) The component of claim 1 ~~as cited in any of claims 1 to 3~~, further comprising a plurality of ~~setpoint~~ breach layers [[(4)]] disposed at multiple points along the ~~longitudinal~~ axis [[(3)]].

5. (Currently Amended) The component of claim 1 ~~as cited in any of claims 1 to 4~~, wherein ~~in which~~ the plurality of electrode layers includes a first and a second electrode layer ~~electrode layers (2a, 2b) directly~~ adjacent to [[a]] the ~~designed~~ ceramic breach layer, the first and second electrode layers having an electrical polarity that is ~~(4) are assigned to~~ the same as one of the electrical ~~polarity~~ polarities of the component.

6. (Currently Amended) The component of claim 1 ~~as cited in any of claims 1 to 5~~, wherein ~~in which the~~ a porosity of the ~~designed~~ breach layer ~~layers (4)~~ is ~~increased by a factor~~ between about 1.2 and about 3 times greater than the porosity of ~~with respect to~~ the ceramic layers [[(1)]].

7. (Currently Amended) The component of claim 1 ~~as cited in any of claims 1 to 6~~, wherein ~~in which~~ the ~~designed~~ breach ~~layers (4)~~ layer comprises ~~are made from~~ the same ceramic material as the ceramic layers [[(1)]].

8. (Currently Amended) The component of claim 1 ~~as cited in any of claims 1 to 7~~, wherein the component comprises ~~which is~~ a piezoelectric actuator.

9. (Currently Amended) A layer stack, comprising:

[[-]] a plurality of ~~having~~ ceramic green films disposed in a stack, the plurality of ceramic green films comprising: ~~that are stacked one on top of the other and contain~~

a ceramic powder, and

an organic bonding agent,

[[-]] wherein at least one of the green films of the plurality of green films has an increased volumetric content of bonding agent ~~with respect~~ compared to the other green films.

10. (Currently Amended) The layer stack ~~as cited in~~ of claim 9, wherein ~~in which~~ the volumetric content of bonding agent in the at least one of the green films is increased by a factor of about 1.5 to about 3 times the volumetric content of bonding agent of at least some of the other green films.